IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE THALATHTHANI RALALAGE VEDANANDA

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FOR: BENZENESULFONYLAMINO COMPOUNDS AND

PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING THESE

COMPOUNDS

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed October 9, 2008, Applicants submit the following amendments and election.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.